

GRACE ABOUNDS



Weekly E-News from Grace Episcopal Church

March 18, 2022

Spotlight: A Very Choral Weekend!

This coming Sunday at 4:00 PM, the Choir and Choristers of Grace Church will sing a special service of Choral Evensong to mark the [Feast of St. Joseph of Nazareth](#) (transferred from March 19). A reception will follow in The Pavilion and will include a delicious pastry that is popular among Rhode Islanders on St. Joseph's Day - zeppole! Please do join us for this festive occasion! To read more about this sweet snack and how it relates to this feast day and to Rhode Islanders, [click here!](#)



And if you want more music and atmosphere, **Sunday at 8:00 PM** the Grace Church Schola will sing a short, 30-minute service of Choral Compline. Come, pray in the stillness, and experience the unaccompanied singing of Gregorian chant and Renaissance polyphony in a darkened church, lighted only by candles and with fragrant incense wafting through the air. Doors open at 7:30 PM.

Choral Evensong for Saint Joseph's Day

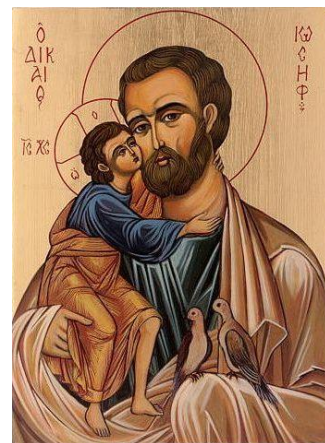
Sunday, March 20 at 4:00 PM

~ Choral Evensong Links ~

YouTube: [Click here!](#)

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To view the Order of Service for Choral Evensong,
[please click here.](#)



Choral Compline this coming Sunday!

~Links for Choral Compline ~

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For the Order of Service, [please click here.](#)



Caring for Ukraine

If you'd like to donate to the relief of Ukrainian refugees through the Episcopal Church, please [visit this page](#) of the Episcopal Relief & Development site.

[Listen to the Ukrainian National Anthem](#) as performed by Providence Singers here at Grace Church on March 5th.



Gimme your milk money!

For the month of April, Grace Church will be sponsoring the milk inventory at the St. Peter's and St. Andrew's Church food pantry in South Providence, and we're inviting Grace parishioners to pitch in. To help in the effort, please write a check to St. Peter's and St. Andrew's Church for any amount and send it to the Grace office at 300 Westminster Street, Providence RI 20903 by **March 28**. Thank you!



Coffee Hour Treats

Now that we're having coffee hour at Grace again it seemed like a good idea to remind everyone that the food at coffee hour comes from parishioners just like yourself! Any Sunday that you're so moved, feel free to bring something tasty to share. Thank you!



Lent 2022 at Grace Church

The penitential and reflective season of Lent has begun! Here at Grace Church we have several additional worship offerings during Lent which are listed in the Lent 2022 Brochure found on the tables in the rear of the church or by [clicking here](#).

We hope that these opportunities will guide and aid your prayers and spiritual life during Lent, so please do join us!



Organ Project Update!

We are SO EXCITED to announce that we have had TWO generous gifts to the Organ Project! First, we have a **\$25,000 CHALLENGE GRANT** from a family in the parish. They have asked to remain anonymous, but in their words “hope that their gift will inspire others to contribute to this exciting project.” *We are hoping to get this gift matched very soon, because there is another potential matching gift waiting in the wings, when this one is completed.* Please speak to the Rector, Fr. Jonathan or to Vince Edwards if you would like to contribute to the challenge grant, in any amount.



A second anonymous gift of \$50,000 has been pledged from a friend of Music at Grace. We are so profoundly grateful for these generous gifts, that will help us on our way to realizing the Organ Project at Grace! www.gracechurchprovidence.org/organproject

Organ Project Promotional Video

The Organ Project at Grace was officially endorsed by the Vestry in October, and **we are actively seeking funding for this project**. A small group of parishioners has assembled as a committee to explore financing and funding options. We want to keep the project alive and in the hearts and minds of the Grace community and beyond. In addition to the two brochures ([Click here for the Overview Brochure](#) and [Here for the Proposed Specification Brochure](#)), we have created a short promotional video to share with friends, acquaintances, and anyone who might have interest in our project. As always, if you would like to know more about this exciting project, or just want to know more about the organ at Grace in general, please be in touch with Vince Edwards, our Director of Music. vedwards@gracepvd.org Enjoy the video!



Thursdays at Noon Concerts

Next Thursday, March 24 at 12 Noon, our guest recitalist will be organist Peter Krasinski. Peter is the Organist for the Providence Performing Arts Centre and the First Church of Christ, Scientist in Providence.

Bookmarks detailing the line-up of Thursday performers are available on the information tables in the rear of the church. We hope you join us and bring along friends!



If you missed this week's concert, played by organist Garrett Law, you can watch the recorded performance by [clicking here](#), or on the image to the right.

To view Garrett's program, [please click here](#).



Please note, if you are not able to attend in person, or prefer not to yet, we will still be live-streaming most concerts. Recordings of the concerts will also be made available in the usual places ([church website](#), [Facebook](#), [YouTube](#), and [Vimeo](#)).

For a complete list of performers and videos of previous concerts, please check out the Thursdays at Noon Concerts webpage on the Grace website by [clicking here](#).

Sunday Morning Worship: The Third Sunday in Lent March 20, 2022

Every Sunday Morning, Grace Church offers a 'live-stream' broadcast of our Sunday morning eucharist service. We hope this experience allows those who are not able to join us in person on Sundays to participate in the worship life at Grace.



~ **Sunday Morning Links** ~

YouTube: [Click here!](#)

Facebook: [Click here!](#)

This service will be live-streamed to the [Grace Church Facebook Page](#) and the [Grace Church YouTube Channel](#). Please use the links provided below to watch. The service will also be archived on the [Grace Church website](#), [Vimeo](#), Facebook, and YouTube pages for 'on-demand' viewing after Sunday morning. We hope this experience allows those who are not able to join us in person on Sunday to participate in the worship.

If you would like to download or print the service leaflet for The Third Sunday in Lent, [please click here](#).

**Following recent Covid protocol updates,
mask-wearing is now optional at Grace Church
for those who are vaccinated.
We still ask those who are not vaccinated to mask
(presuming they are over 5 years old),
and people are always welcome to mask if they feel more
comfortable doing so.**

Regardless of how you choose to participate in our worship life together,
ALL ARE WELCOME at Grace Church!

March 20, 2022
The Third Sunday in Lent

Almighty God, you know that we have no power in ourselves to help ourselves: Keep us both outwardly in our bodies and inwardly in our souls, that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

For the texts of the readings for The Third Sunday in Lent, [please click here.](#)

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